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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INVENTOR APPLICATION OF: ULRICH C. BOETTIGER *et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 09/945,316

FILED: August 30, 2001

FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
CONTROLLING RADIATION BEAM
INTENSITY DIRECTED TO
MICROLITHOGRAPHIC SUBSTRATES**

EXAMINER: Christopher G. Young

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Amendment in Response to Restriction Requirement

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 46-69, without prejudice, to pursuing these claims in a continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part or other application.

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups: I. Claims 1-45, drawn to a method; and II. Claims 46-49, drawn to an apparatus.

In response, the applicants elect Group I without traverse. Non-elected claims 46-69 have been canceled.